

**COMMISSIONER LEA MÁRQUEZ PETERSON'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 8**TIME/DATE PREPARED: October 12, 2020COMPANY: Commission Energy RulesAGENDA ITEM NO.: 15DOCKET NO.: RU-00000A-18-0284OPEN MEETING DATE: October 13, 2020

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**Purpose:** This amendment makes it clear that the Commission will not allow Arizona's communities to be unreasonably impacted by the early retirement of power plants due to the requirement that utilities strictly comply with the Commission's energy rules. This amendment:

- Adds an over-arching policy that makes it clear the economic transition of impacted communities should be a top priority for utilities in the planning of retirement dates and selection of future energy resources.
- Adds a provision in the utilities' design of All-Source RFPs/RFIs that supports the over-arching policy above, by prioritizing the selection of Demand-Side and Supply-Side Resources located in or around Impacted Communities.
- Adds a provision under Waivers and Exemptions that makes it clear that strict compliance with the Commission's rules should not come at the cost to Arizona's communities that rely on Arizona's power plants for social and economic support.

**AMEND Appendix A in the Proposed Order.****Page 53****Under R14-2-2705. Clean Energy Implementation Plan****Subsection (B)****INSERT** a new paragraph (3):

Reducing the negative impacts of Conventional Energy Resource closures on Impacted Communities by considering the impact of Conventional Energy Resource retirement dates on Impacted Communities and prioritizing the siting and selection of Demand-Side and Supply-Side Resources in or near their jurisdictions.

**AMEND Commissioner Lea Márquez Peterson's Second Revised Amendment No. 2****Under R14-2-2709. ASRFI Process; Resource Plan Approval****Subsection (C)**

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3. The use of Demand-Side Resources and Supply-Side Resources sited in, or within a reasonable proximity to, Impacted Communities.

**AMEND Appendix A in the Proposed Order.**

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**Under R14-2-2716. Waivers and Exemptions**

**INSERT** new subsection (C):

For purposes of a Utility's application filed pursuant to subsection (B), the "burden of compliance" may include the reasonably foreseeable burden or social or economic impact that strict compliance could have on an Impacted Community. Upon the Utility's filing made pursuant to subsection (B), or upon its own motion, the Commission may waive compliance with any provision of this Article or exempt a Utility from complying with any provision in this Article upon a finding that the waiver or exemption is necessary to prevent an unjust and unreasonable burden or social or economic impact on an Impacted Community.

**\*\* Make all conforming changes**

<b>THIS AMENDMENT:</b>		
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_____ Failed _____	_____ Not Offered _____	_____ Withdrawn _____